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Projects of GBPIHED
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocation and utilization of funds for the GB Pant Institute for Himalayan Environment and Development (GBPIHED) during each of the last three years and the current year; project-wise;
(b) whether the Government is aware that completion deadlines for several projects under GBPIHED have been extended midway during the project execution;
(c) if so, the details of such projects along with the reasons for extension of their completion period and the cost overrun thereof, project-wise; and
(d) the details of projects initiated but not completed till date along with the date of initiation and the expected date for its completion and outcome of the completed projects, project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) The Ministry (MoEF&CC) does not provide project wise funds to the G.B. Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment & Development (GBPIHED) scheme. The funds are provided as Grant-in-Aid to the Institute. Details of allocation of funds released by the Ministry in respect of GBPIHED scheme and its utilization during each of the last three years and for the year 2015-16 are as below:

Year	Amount Sanctioned (crore)	Amount Utilized (crore)
2012-13	11.40	11.22
2013-14	14.00	13.92
2014-15	13.00	13.27
2015-16	12.63	12.64

(b & c) No project undertaken from the Grant-in-Aid Scheme of the MoEF&CC has been extended midway during its execution.

(d) In the 12th Plan period, nine projects are being executed with effect from June 2012 in the Institute from the Grant-in-Aid of the MoEF&CC as per approval of the Scientific Advisory Committee. These ongoing projects will be completed by 31-3-2017. The Institute has successfully completed 190 R&D projects till date on Land & Water management, Biodiversity conservation and management, Sustainable livelihood, Biotechnology applications, Environmental assessment & management and Capacity building in the Himalayan region. In addition, the Institute has published 2587 Research papers/articles up to January 2016 with total Impact Factor of 958; 185 Books/ Booklets/ Monographs/ Bulletins/ Manuals/ Policy documents; supervised 99 Ph.D. and 87 M.Sc. dissertations.
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